

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device and method for controlling the brakes of a commercial vehicle are provided and include a device for the adaptive regulation of distance and/or driving speed (ACC), which modulates an urgency signal (d) based upon a hazard variable such as the relative speed of and/or distance to a vehicle traveling in front of said commercial vehicle, an electronically controlled brake system, which is designed to distribute a desired amount of braking force to a friction brake system and a retarding brake, and wherein the electronically controlled brake system is further designed in such a way that the distribution of the desired braking force to the friction brake system and the retarding brake is also based upon the urgency signal (d).